(e) whether the transparency will also include openness of Government towards all sensitive schemes and programmes;

(f) if not, the areas to be affected by scrapping of the Official Secrets Act?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) to (f) No, Sir.

However, the issue relating to amendments to the Official Secrets Act, 1923, is clubbed with the formulation of Freedom of Information Bill which is under examination of the Government.

per inmate food authorisation in jails

1914. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN:

SHRI S. RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the per inmate food authorised in various jails in the country;

(b) whether the food available for the inmates in jails fulfil the required calories for subsistence level;

(c) if so, the item-wise food provided and the calories generated; and

(d) if not, the reason therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) to (d) 'Prisons' is a State subject as per Entry 4 of the State List of the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India. It is essentially for the State Governments to prescribe such diet scales for prisoners as are necessary as per local requirements and food habits, etc., information about diet scales provided by different States is not maintained centrally.

Presidential form of Government

1915. SARDAR GURCHARAN SINGH TOHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a Commission to study the question of introducing Presidential form of Government in the country;

(b) whether all the formalities in this regard have been completed; and

(c) if so, what is the present status of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) to (c) The Government has no such proposal. However, the Government does propose to review the Constitution of India in the light of the experience of the past fifty years and to make suitable recommendations, without altering the basic structure of the Constitution.

कच्छ के लिए पृथक विकास बोर्ड

1916. **श्री अन्नतराय देवशंकर दवे:**

क्या गृह मंत्री यह बतानें की कृपा करेंगें कि :

(क) क्या गुजरात सरकार ने केन्द्रीय सरकार को संविधान में संशोधन करके कच्छ क्षेत्र हेतु एक पृथक विकास बोर्ड गठित करने के लिये कोई अभ्यावेदन भेजा है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार की इस पर क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ;

(ग) क्या सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी है कि गुजरात विधान सभा ने इस संबंध में सर्वसम्मति से एक संकल्प पारित किया है ; और

(घ) क्या सरकार इस संबंध में मंजूरी देने का विचार रखती है ?